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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the subject Application,  
please enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

7 (amended). A method according to claim 1, wherein the  
radiation absorbing material is exposed to radiation prior to  
positioning the workpieces together.

8 (amended). A method according to claim 1, wherein the  
radiation absorbing material is exposed to radiation through one  
of the workpieces.

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